







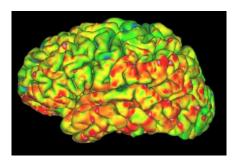
Master or Semester project

Location: CHUV, Lausanne
Dates: Autumn semester 2024

Cortical Microstructure changes in Schizophrenia

Schizophrenia is a psychiatric disease associated with subtle but widespread brain changes. Diffusion MRI is a powerful tool to quantify biological tissue microstructure in vivo and non-invasively. This master project offers a unique opportunity to contribute to translational research in psychiatry and neuroscience. We propose to (A) characterise <u>brain cortical microstructure</u> changes in patients with schizophrenia measured via novel <u>Diffusion MRI</u> markers and (B) relate them to metabolic changes measured using <u>MR Spectroscopy</u>.

In this project, you will learn: to process neuroimaging data, to operate a high-performance computing (HPC) cluster, refine your machine-learning/statistics skills and make a first step into the field of computational psychiatry.



Skills:

Your qualifications, previous experience and background:

- Electrical, Micro- and Life Science Engineering or Physics.
- Programming skills in Python and/or bash are required. Good knowledge of statistics is a plus.

Supervisors:

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How to apply:

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CIBM brings together highly qualified, diverse, complementary and multidisciplinary groups of people with common interest in biomedical imaging.

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